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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 627  
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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize the estimable Frayser Public Library of Shelby County and the library's annual Frayser Fun Fest.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is pleased to specially recognize those fine programs and events that bring the joys of learning and culture to the citizens of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the Frayser Public Library's third annual Frayser Fun Fest is one such exemplary community event, which will be held on June 8, 2002 and will serve as the kick-off for the library's Summer Reading Program; and

WHEREAS, last year's Frayser Fun Fest attracted over 500 people and featured appearances by Rockey the Redbird, Jabberbabber, Hand-on Helper, River Kings Mascot, Piggly Wiggly Pig, McGruff the Crime Dog, and a clown, as well as performances by marching bands, gospel and blues singers, a jazz band, a Christian rapper, and the Frayser Cheerleaders; and

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WHEREAS, this delightful event also features booths sponsored by area businesses and community organizations; displays by the Fire Department, SWAT, Drug Team, Memphis Motors Speedway, MIFA, and TLC Dog Squad; organized games with prizes; face painting; an arts and craft table; and giveaways from local businesses, radio stations, residents, and groups; and

WHEREAS, the Frayser Fun Fest jump starts and raises awareness of the Frayser Public Library's exceptional Summer Reading Program, which helps children and adults develop and maintain their reading skills and foster a lifelong enjoyment of reading; and

WHEREAS, originally built in 1962, the Memphis and Shelby County Public Library in Frayser was renovated in 1994; in the year 2001, the library had a circulation of 72,173 materials, 166,662 patrons, and 975 new borrowers; and

WHEREAS, the Frayser Public Library houses an impressive collection of resources, including Home Schooling materials, the latest movies and books on tape, and seven computers for public use with Internet and word processing capabilities; this outstanding library also offers the largest collection of Christian Fiction and Auto Repair Manuals in the Memphis and Shelby County Public Library System; and

WHEREAS, an integral part of the Frayser and the greater Shelby County community, the Frayser Public Library posts listings of community organizations and special functions occurring in the area; and

WHEREAS, this year's Frayser Fun Fest and Summer Reading Program is sure to be a great success; and

WHEREAS, the Frayser Fun Fest brings the citizens of Shelby County together to revel in each other's company and to enjoy performances and activities as a community, while also marking the commencement of the Frayser Public Library's Summer Reading Program; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and congratulate the Frayser Fun Fest on three outstanding years as a community event, commend the administration staff and volunteers of the Memphis and Shelby County Public Library in Frayser for their meritorious service to the community, and express our gratitude to the volunteers and organizers of the Frayser Fun Fest for their hard work and commitment during the past three years and for all their future efforts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we extend to the Memphis and Shelby County Public Library in Frayser and the Frayser Fun Fest our best wishes for every continued success in presenting this spectacular event and encourage the good citizens of Shelby County to join in the fun and participate in the Frayser Fun Fest and the Frayser Library's Summer Reading Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.